

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Sandra ROSENTHAL, et al.

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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S LETTER REGARDING RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 February 18, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Letter mailed January 22, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

ELECTION OF SPECIES

In the letter dated January 22, 2003, the Examiner is requiring applicants to elect a single disclosed species of original Group 2 for the purpose of beginning a prior art search.

In compliance with the Examiner's request, applicants elect the following species for search purposes:

This compound appears in Claim 16 of the Elective Group.

With the election of the above, applicants believe that all of the Examiner's questions with respect to the restriction requirement have been answered. If such is not the case, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

No fee is required for this Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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